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SUBJECT: Progress Report, BGFIEND, for Month of February, 1952

TO: Chief of Mission,
Frankfurt, Germany

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1. PROJECT: BGFIEND (in HTSTEIN only)
2. AUTHORIZED DURATION: Indefinite
3. ORGANIZATIONAL DATA: None
4. SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY:

A. The highlight of this month's activity was the intensive assessment program conducted among the KMWAAHOOS at JBPARTSON by [] from the 4th to the 8th. This program was performed in compliance with 44-CAGMG, in which [] directed that 30 WAAHOOS are to be screened and selected for officer's training under the auspices of GABBIE, to begin on or about 1 April. Of course, the commencement of this training is contingent upon when and how GABBIE will be prepared to begin. The undersigned witnessed portions of the assessment program, thereby acquiring first hand knowledge as to procedure involving screening procedure of some KMWAAHOOS and their resultant classification as to adaptability, intelligence, self-assurance, courage and leadership, all of which will be a useful guide for future selections.

B. On 18 February, representatives of DYCLUTCH conducted a test to select 6 W/T candidates from the JBPARTSON complement who, according to a further directive from [] , are to enter training as soon as facilities are available. Of 20 men screened, four qualified. On 25 February, DYCLUTCH conducted a second screening to select the two final candidates. Tested were the absentees selected for the 18 February screening and three part-time W/T's returned to JBPARTSON by Valuables on 15 February. This test brought forward the two required candidates, one of whom was of the 3 recent Valuable returnees. Thus, at this writing, the six candidates are available and prepared to enter training as soon as the green-light is indicated by GABBIE.

The above screening programs have furnished BGFIEND with a pool of candidates for various phases of operations that should meet the requirements of Hoxter for 1952 operations.

C. During the month, undersigned and [] inspected Wangness on several occasions in order to survey the premises for repair work such as leaks and plaster wall damage. This undertaking was in accordance with agreement with Owner at time lease was made obligating Tenant to maintain premises in good state of repair. Following authorization from []

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do the work. A check-up inspection, made on the 28th, revealed a job well done with the plumbing, walls and ceilings restored in good order. The work was completed at a most opportune time for, during the early period of March, Roger T. Wangness will make a check-up visit to the estate during the present period of un-occupancy in company with undersigned.

D. On 16 February, the third consecutive night of stand-by at Furstenfeldbruck, the two KMWAAHOO doctors, arriving from Rome, were met by the undersigned and delivered to JBPARSON where they are presently performing their duties. [] has pointed out that he cannot promote them to officer grade because the indigenous T/O is already filled. However, these men have shown a natural interest in their work as doctors and are making themselves useful in this capacity.

E. Information on/about 7 February from [] involved this office in preparations necessary to locate a safe-house for [] and [] to hold a conference concerning BGCONVOY activities. After calling on Colonel Carabello to serve notice that the BGFIEND safe-house in the sub-post area of his command would be occupied for several days, and thereby to avoid any interference from un-announced Military Service Personnel, etc., the writer and [] visited the safe-house and issued instructions to the care-taker to take a leave of absence for several days to assure absolute privacy. [] arrived with [] at this station on 9 February, and performed his administrative functions at this office until the 11th. As it finally developed, the [] [] conferences were not held at the safe-house due to impassable deep snows rendering access out of the question, so a more convenient though less secure location was made available in HTEXOTIC.

F. On the 18th, tentative arrangements were made between BEESWAX, a KMWIDOW project, and the undersigned for the former to utilize the BGFIEND safe-house for a period of about six weeks. [] agreed to this arrangement to the extent of a six-week period, but not beyond, for he plans to put the safe-house into use to implement training of WAAHOOS for special operations.

G. Notification was received from [] that the projected BGFIEND conference scheduled for Garmisch beginning the week of 24 February was indefinitely postponed. The undersigned then drove to the Garmisch Military Post and canceled all billet reservations at desk levels with the C.O. to insure good relationships with the Services for all the trouble they had taken to secure quarters at the rush of the winter season.

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H. At the request of [] a conference, attended by the writer, [] and Col. Wilder, Commanding Officer, 111th Labor Service Center, was held to iron out some Labor Service difficulties which [] claimed to experience through the Military being too much "on his neck" and pushing him around too much. Col. Wilder, during the discussion, stated that his obligation to his command required that all Labor Service Companies meet certain standard military requirements and that, in many instances, []'s company fell short of these standards. He made a point of saying that on several occasions he offered to assign a junior grade officer to JBPARTSON in order to distribute responsibilities more equitably. Col. Wilder further stated that about a year ago an officer was assigned in this capacity but, after several days trial, [] balked at continued employment of this officer's services, adding that he could handle the situation himself. Col. Wilder commented this was a bad decision on []'s part because this present so-called "over-work", which is the source of the complaint, is a result of his blunt refusal to accept additional office personnel help. It was further brought out that [] is not maintaining the expected standards of discipline among the enlisted men of the Labor Service detachment at JBPARTSONS; they are lax in military courtesy and, on several occasions where they were involved in auto accidents, attempts were made by [] to smother these incidents by not reporting them promptly to Headquarters, etc. [] defended his position on the grounds that on some occasions these accidents were due to illness of his supply sergeant, implying these vehicles were dispatched without spare tires and without suitable repair equipment. At the conclusion of this conference, [] agreed to accept another officer to his staff at JBPARTSON to relieve him of some of the burdens of company administration. The pros and cons of the existing difficulties between JBPARTSONS and Labor Service Center were openly discussed and the meeting ended on a mutual note of closer cooperation between each other, with [] once more agreeing to toe the line.

I. In mid-February, Col. Wilder invited the writer to accompany a group of high ranking DTELDER representatives on an inspection tour of JBPARTSON. A two hour tour of the installations enabled the writer to judge the military standards of Labor Service requirements referred to in Item H, above, and []'s contribution to the over-all effort.

5. ACTION PENDING IN THE FIELD:

A. A date from GABBIE to initiate training of KMWAAHOO

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officer candidates (ref Item A. above).

B. A date from GABBIE indicating when 6 W/T candidates can begin training (ref Item B. above).

6. INDICATIONS OF EFFECTIVENESS:

A. The recent assessment tests conducted at JBPARSONS should be of future advantage to BGFIEND and ZRELOPE in supplying a collected and indexed file of graded personnel available for training.

B. Instruction and training received by [] and [] in the recent two-month course at the Oberammergau School should prove of considerable value to the Training Staff, in addition to paving the way for the enrollment of other staff and contract members of DYCLIP in the future. [] and [] report that the most beneficial instruction they received from this organization's standpoint were courses on BGGYPSY organization and methods, the historical and cultural histories of BGGYPSY satellites, and instruction on organization and operation of military units at various levels.

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